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Election of eight members to the Permanent Forum on Indigenous Issues

Note by the Secretary-General

Addendum

1. Pursuant to its resolution 2000/22 of 28 July 2000 and decision 2001/316 of 26 July 2001, the Economic and Social Council established a Permanent Forum on Indigenous Issues as a subsidiary organ of the Council. The Forum consists of 16 members, all serving in their personal capacity as independent experts for a term of three years. Eight members are to be nominated by Governments and elected by the Council according to a specified pattern set out in decision 2001/316 and eight members are to be appointed by the President of the Council.

2. Consequently, at the first election, the Economic and Social Council will be called upon to elect eight members according to the following pattern:

One member from African States;

Two members from Asian States;

One member from Eastern European States;

Two members from Latin American and Caribbean States;

Two members from Western European States.

3. In this respect, the Secretary-General has received the following nominations for election by the Council to the Forum:

From the Government of Canada: Wayne **Lord**

From the Government of Denmark: Ida **Nicolaisen**

From the Government of Suriname: Ronald **Karwofodi**

4. The candidates' term of office would begin on 1 January 2002 and expire on 31 December 2004. Biographical information on the candidates is set out in the attached annex.

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Annex

Biographical information on candidates for election to the Permanent Forum on Indigenous Issues

Wayne Lyle Lord

Education

Graduated 1975 from University of Alberta, B.A., major in history.

Employment

Member of the Canadian diplomatic foreign service of the Government of Canada since July 1975. Served at a number of posts, including London, Warsaw, Bridgetown, Belgrade, Hong Kong and Manila.

Experience with international indigenous issues

April 1998-present

Director, Division of Aboriginal and Circumpolar Affairs, Department of Foreign Affairs and International Trade in Ottawa:

- Responsible for the overall management of Canada's international bilateral and multilateral relations on indigenous issues;
- As Chair of a Canadian interdepartmental committee, responsible for the development and implementation of Canadian policies on international indigenous issues and, in other areas, such as the issuance of the *Northern Dimension of Canada's Foreign Policy*;
- Leading role on Canadian delegations to the United Nations, including the Commission on Human Rights and the World Conference against Racism, Racial Discrimination, Xenophobia and Related Intolerance, the Organization of American States and the Arctic Council;
- Travelled extensively to gain more knowledge about the situation of indigenous peoples in other States, including Mexico, Chile, Guatemala, Philippines, South Africa, Denmark, Finland, Australia and the United States of America.

September 1994-April 1998

Departmental Coordinator, International Aboriginal Affairs, within the Human Rights Division of the Department of Foreign Affairs and International Trade.

March 1984-September 1985

Returned to the capital to establish the first desk responsible for international indigenous issues in the then Department of External Affairs. In that role, participated in the early years of the United Nations Working Group on Indigenous Populations.

Ida Nicolaisen

Cultural sociologist, senior research fellow

Vice-chairman: Board of the Danish International Development Agency

Editor-in-chief: Carlsberg Foundation Nomad Research Project

Academic record

Specialization:	Cultural anthropology, socio-economic development
Positions:	Associate Professor, Copenhagen University, 1971-1997
	Senior Research Fellow, Nordic Institute of Asian Studies, 1997 to the present
Research:	Among the Same (Norway and Sweden 1959, 1961)
	The Inuit (Upernavik, 1966), the hunting-foraging Haddad (Chad, 1963), the pastoral Tuareg (Niger, 1966), the swidden-agricultural Punan Bah (Central Borneo, Malaysia, 1973, 1974-1975, 1980-1981, 1983-1984, 1986, 1993, 1995) and the Sekapan (Malaysia, 1984)
Recent books:	The Pastoral Tuareg I-II, 1997 (with J. Nicolaisen)
	The Haddad of Kanem (forthcoming)
Membership:	The Royal Danish Academy of Sciences and Letters
	American Philosophical Society
	American Academy of Arts and Sciences
Consultancies:	The Danish International Development Agency, the United Nations Sudano-Sahelian Office, Sarawak Museum, World Wildlife Fund
Boards:	The Danish International Development Agency, MIFRESTA, Foundation of His Royal Highness Crown Prince Frederik, Asia House Foundation, World Wildlife Fund-Denmark, Humanity in Action, International Human Rights Network of Academies and Scholarly Societies

Ronald Karwofodi

Work experience

Member of the National Assembly (Parliament), 1996-present

Principal, Lelydorp High School

Captain Bernharddorp (Chief of indigenous village)

International and national conferences

French Guyana: Conference on Education of Village Chiefs of Indigenous Peoples in the Amazon Region

Guatemala: Human Rights Conference (Declaration of Indigenous Peoples) under the auspices of the Organization of American States

Washington, D.C.: Property Rights of Indigenous Peoples, sponsored by the Organization of American States

Suriname: various conferences on indigenous issues

Education

Teachers College (Pedagogisch Instituut Suriname)

B.A. Pedagogy

Diplomas of various sport schools, including International Federation of Association Football (FIFA) courses

Organizations

Vice-Chairman of the Association of Indigenous Village Chiefs of Suriname. This organization works in close cooperation with the Organization of Indigenous Peoples in Suriname. The Organization of Indigenous Peoples in Suriname is a member of the Coordinating Body of Indigenous Peoples in the Amazon Basin Area.

Mr. Karwofodi is a permanent resident of his village. As a proponent of education for all, he promotes education of indigenous peoples that preserves their own identity, culture, morals and customs.